





Exxon senior VP to speak at university

ENERGY The University of Calgary will be hosting a senior vice president of Exxon Mobil Corp. at a breakfast event on Oct. 30.

Andrew Swiger will speak to a public audience on the outlook for energy and the importance of innovation and international co-operation on world energy.

Also at the event, the Imperial Oil Foundation and the School of Public Policy will be making a major announcement on policy for economy, energy and the environment. METRO CALGARY

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Saddledome Packed house for Rascal Flatts



Joe Don Rooney, Gary LeVox and Jay DeMarcus of Rascal Flatts tear up the Saddledome last night while playing a soldout show on their Unstoppable tour.

CPA may drop Fans protest MJ film parking rates

Upcoming review could yield relief for motorists in 2010

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Calgarians with lower downtown parking rates on their Christmas list might get their wish.

Stopping short of promising a rate drop, Calgary Parking Authority manager Dale Fraser said he is hopeful an upcoming review of CPA rates sees a decrease in the pipeline for motorists in

"Though we're not finished the review yet, we do think we may be able to pass down some relief, but we will know for sure in the next couple of weeks," Fraser said

"I think as commuters enter downtown and pay for parking, they would like to see parking

Parking revenue contributed by the CPA to the City of Calgary's general revenue.

rate reductions."

Fraser said the comprehensive review has so far indicated Calgarians are paying at the top of the rate spectrum, so there is the possibility of lowering rates in some form.

Ward 7 Ald. Druh Farrell is happy to hear of potential park-ing relief and said he believes the new Park Plus system will allow for rate reductions for the first hour of short-term parking, for example.

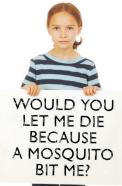
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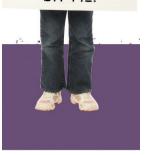
short-term parking options and still have that turnover rate so other motorists can park there, too," Farrell said.

The problem before was motorists would park all day and that would create a parking shortage downtown, and the new Park Plus system allows us to work with our rates."

The Calgary Downtown Association is also anxiously awaiting the results of the parking-rate review, expected mid-November, and hopes reduced rates will attract more Calgarians to the

"We found the cost of parking rates to be one of the biggest de terrents for people coming into the core, and we think reduced rates will definitely draw more people back," spokesperson Caralyn Macdonald said.



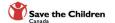


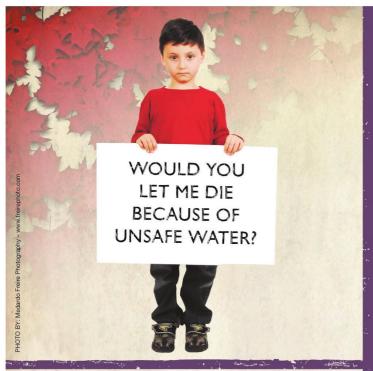


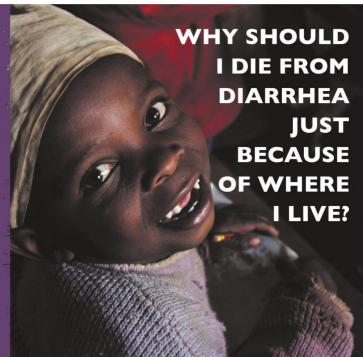
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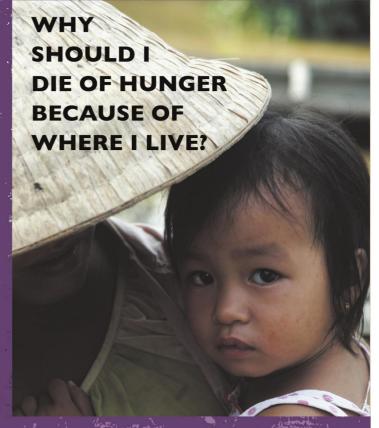
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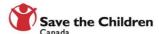
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Calgary will get an estrogen boost in 2010 as a newly revamped Lilith Fair Festival revealed Calgary would be one of the Canadian stops. Limited details were available on the newly revamped site, but Vancouver, Montreal and Toronto were also touted as venues for the popular music festival.

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Calgary in brief

RESEARCH The University of Calgary's research income dropped for the third straight year, down 7.1 per cent from 2008, according to a report by Research Infosource Inc.
The University of Calgary dropped from eighth to ninth, with \$254.2 million in research income.

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Fifth H1N1 clinic to open

Those at high risk from swine flu will be given priority

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High risk Calgarians will be given the priority at a fifth vaccination station opening this morning at the Olympic Oval, according to health officials.

The announcement comes after Alberta health minister Ron Liepert apologized to thousands of Albertans who had to wait in line up to six hours on Monday for the vaccination.

"To those Albertans who lined up (Monday) for several hours I would express my apologies for having to wait in line," Liepert said.

"One of our greatest concerns was that ... far too many people would not take this seriously. Obviously. Alberton bove"

viously, Albertans have." The fifth H1N1 vaccination clinic for Calgary is located on the 2nd floor of the Olympic Oval and will specifically serve pregnant women, children younger than 10, seniors and accompanying family members, according to Alberta



While waiting times dwindled to around an hour at H1N1 vaccine centres, the AHS announced the opening of a fifth clinic for at-risk clientele.

Health Services.

The news comes as a relief to Calgarians though some reported lineups only lasted an hour at some stations yesterday since officials stopped administering the seasonal flu shot at the same clinics as the H1N1

"I was surprised. I even brought the kids swim8,064

How many doses of H1N1 vaccination on first day of open clinics, according to Alberta Health Services

ming gear just in case we didn't have time to make

it home but we were out in less than an hour," mother Erica Robinson said.

There will also be the addition of 15 vaccination stations within the existing clinics today, totalling 127 vaccination stations throughout the city.

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Desecrated statue found outside city

KRISTA SYLVESTER

INVESTIGATION A damaged and desecrated statue possibly of Asian religious descent — has been found just outside the city on Monday,

according to RCMP.
Strathmore RCMP Const. Tyler Cooke said a
worker found the statue
hidden in bushes along
Range Road 275 just off
McKnight Boulevard. on
Monday morning.

"It was hidden and had broken pieces that were stuffed back inside the statue," Cook said.

"I'm ninety per cent sure this is a religious statue and it seems there was criminal intent." Cooke said that the RCMP would like to find the owners of the statue.

Cooke said a photo will be released to the public in several days if nobody claims the property.

The statue was described as three feet tall and two feet wide and extremely heavy, possibly weighing over 200 pounds.

Courts to decide if man can claim latest lotto win

It will be up to the courts to decide if a Calgary area man's run of lotto luck will continue.

Airdrie resident Seguro Ndabene has already won the lottery five times in the past five years but his biggest win of all in a Super 7 draw back in January is being disputed.

Ndabene's lotto wins

- \$1 million Western 6/49 in 2004
- \$100,000 in the Super 7 Extra in Calgary in 2006
- \$1 million and \$50,000 in 6/49 in Airdrie, AB 2008
- \$17 million in January 2009

According to court documents, Ndabene's claim as sole winner is being questioned by a man who alleges

the winning ticket was part of a group's purchase and he wants a share.

The Western Canada Lottery Corporation attempted to sort out the complicated case. But it ended up asking the Court of Queen's Bench to make the final decision.

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Calgarians collecting EI increasing at fastest rate in country

The number of Calgarians collecting regular employment insurance is steadily increasing at the fastest rate in the country, according to a Statistics Canada report. There were over 22,000 recipients in August 2009 compared to about 5,600 in August 2008. METRO CALGARY

Hundreds at anti-nuke rally

Protesters push for 'green, clean future' at legislature grounds

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nuclear energy

developments.

Banners hoisted high. hundreds of activists invaded the grounds of the legislature yesterday, in anger over potential

The President of the Coalition for a Nuclear Free Alberta, Adele Boucher reason for attending. Rymhs, stated the rally's message simply.

"We don't need nuclear," she said. "Everyone is worried about climate change and carbon dioxide emissions, but the emissions from a nuclear power plant are far worse than emissions from a coal plant."

Tyler Cruickshank of Grande Prairie explains his

"This is our community," Cruickshank said. "I love this place, and I am going to fight to the end of time to ensure that my community is clean ... I don't want to be that one guy who says, 'I wish I could have done more'. I am doing as much as I possibly can, right now, to ensure that my message and our message collectively is getting out there.'

Raising a sign that read "Free for workers: Twice the cancer!" Sheila Muxlow of the Sierra Club of Canada braved the rainy conditions to attend.

'We need to start advocating for a green, clean fu-ture that has industries that give us sustainable healthy lifestyle.'

Same man in separate pharmacy thefts: Cops

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Police believe the same suspect is responsible for two pharmacy robberies yester-

day in a half-hour span.

Duty Insp. Rob Williams said a male first hit a pharmacy on Crowfoot Cres. NW at 11 a.m., showed the butt of a handgun, demanded the painkiller OxyContin and fled in a car reported stolen earlier.

Williams said the same man then went to another pharmacy in the 6200 block

Description

 The man is described as fivefoot-seven, 145 pounds, with sunken cheeks, and wore a dark hoodie and sunglasses.

of Centre St. N. and this time pulled out the handand demanded the same drug.

"We believe it was the same culprit in both inci-dents but we're not sure yet if he is part of a group responsible for similar robberies or acting alone,' Williams said.

Drop-in centre urges flu shot

The Calgary Drop-In Centre will be encouraging its clients to get the H1N1 vaccine this Friday when the shelter doles out doses, according to a spokesperson.

Louise Gallagher said they would like to see as many clients as possible get the free vaccine.

"Our hope is that they do

get it, we're definitely recommending it and our goal is as many as possible," she said

Gallagher said many of the clients have compromised immune systems and within the shelter system it's particularly important to be immunized.

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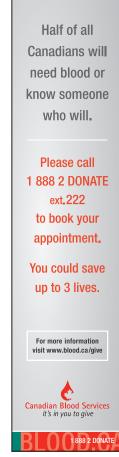
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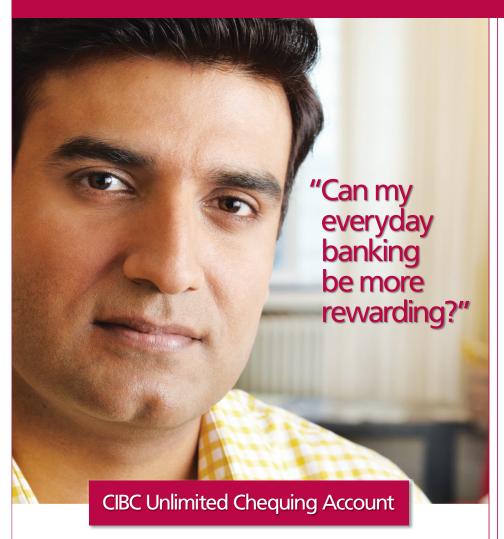
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Wednesday, October 28, 2009 French billionaire sets up in Montreal

French billionaire Vincent Bollore is joining the global rush to build electric batteries for the vehicles of tomorrow. And he's setting up shop near Montreal. Bollore announced yesterday his company, Bollore Group, will invest \$120 million in a battery-producing factory east of Montreal. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Royal visit less than exciting: Poll

Just days of ahead of a visit to Canada by Prince Charles and his wife, Camilla, Duchess of Cornwall, Canadians appear less than excited about the first-in-line to the crown, CBC News Online reports. According to a recent poll prepared by a Toronto-based polling, consulting and communications firm, Charles has an image problem. More than 47 per cent of those polled disagreed that the prince has a vision for the future. Asked if they felt Charles was ahead of his time, only a quarter of respondents agreed. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Policy on dead user info set for next week

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FACEBOOK A spokeswoman for Canada's privacy commissioner says Facebook is expected to announce a new policy on how it handles profiles of deceased users in the next week.

In recent days, the social networking site has been reminding members about a service that "memorializes" profiles of deceased users at the request of friends and family members. But Facebook has yet to adopt privacy commissioner Jennifer Stoddart's

recommendation for more disclosure about what happens to users' personal information after they die.

The recommendation was included in an August report on Facebook's privacy policies. Commissioner spokeswoman Anne-Marie Hayden says Facebook was expected to post a new privacy policy within 10 weeks, which would mean it's due sometime in the next seven days. Stoddart wants users to have a better idea of what they're getting into.

Facebook has more than 300 million active users worldwide, including about 12 million in Cana-THE CANADIAN PRESS

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G8 funds land far from site

Cash for Huntsville summit also going to towns in minister's riding

A \$50-million federal fund set up to build infrastructure for next June's G8 summit is being spent partly on projects that are far from the summit site and with tenuous links to the high-powered meeting.

Industry Minister Tony Clement announced the low-profile fund last February, explaining that the fund was being "provided for G8 Summit-related infrastructure, including a G8 Centre in Huntsville.

Huntsville, Ont., will host the meeting. The town of 18,000 is in Clement's riding, about 215 kilometres north of Toronto.

Huntsville received the largest share of the monmainly



Parry Sound, Ont., some 80 kilometres away from the summit site. The area just south of Parry Sound is receiving \$745,000 for signs, fencing and landscaping in the towns of Rosseau, Humphrey and Orrville.

and South River, many kilometres from the summit, are each getting \$65,000 for signs and landscaping. "How is this justified? In what way is this going to improve the G8?" asked Liberal MP Ger-

ard Kennedy. Clement spokesman Erik Waddell said the money is well spent, since the summit is expected huge draw crowds.

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H₁N₁ kills Toronto boy

Flu **Outbreak**

DEATH The swine-flu death of an otherwise healthy hockey-playing teen came without warning and should serve as a lesson to parents to keep a close eve on their ill children, the boy's grief-stricken father

said yesterday. Paul Frustaglio said it took barely more than a day for the H1N1 flu virus to kill Evan — his "best friend" — who turned 13 last month, a fatality that public health officials called rare.

"He fell so quickly," Frustaglio said. "I was watching him. I was there when he died.'

Evan's death Monday came on the same day health authorities across Canada began rolling out a vaccination program against H1N1.

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Canadian accused of plotting terrorist attacks

ALLEGATIONS A Canadian is one of two Chicago men charged with plotting terrorist attacks against targets outside the United States, including a Danish newspaper that sparked outrage among Muslims by publishing cartoons depicting the Prophet Muhammad.

A statement released yesterday through the Department of Justice outlines the allegations against the two men.

Prosecutors said Canadian citizen Tahawwur Hussain Rana, 48, and David Coleman Headley, 49, have been charged in separate complaints filed in U.S.

Complaint

- U.S. federal officials say Tahawwur Rana is a native of Pakistan and citizen of Canada who resides in Chicago.
- The complaint against Rana alleges he made travel arrangements for Headley under the auspices of the busi-

District Court in Chicago. Headley and Rana are each charged with conspiracy to provide material support to a foreign terrorism conspiracy, which carries a maximum sentence of 15 years in prison.

Headley is also charged with conspiracy to commit ness he runs, First World Immigration Services, which has offices in Chicago, New York and Toronto. An employee at the Toronto office denied any knowledge of Rana and offered no comment on his arrest.

Industry Minister

Tony Clement

terrorist acts involving murder and maiming outside the United States. He could be sentenced to life in prison if convicted.

According to an FBI affidavit released yesterday, Headley told FBI agents that the initial plan called for an attack against the

newspaper building in Copenhagen, but he later proposed just killing the paper's cartoonist and former cultural editor.

Prosecutors said Headley, a U.S. citizen who changed his name from Daood Gilani in 2006, identified and conducted surveillance of potential targets of a terrorist attack in Denmark on two separate trips to that country in Jan-

uary and June. They said Headley reported and attempted to report on his efforts to individuals with ties to terrorism overseas, including at least one with links to al-Qaida. THE CANADIAN PRESS

News in brief

DIPLOMACY Prime Minister Stephen Harper is denving his government is singling out a Canadian diplomat, who's warned of possible torture in Afghan jails, by refusing to pay his legal bills. Harper says civil servants are covered under federal Treasury Board rules and Richard Colvin will be treated no differently. The Foreign Affairs Department gave preliminary approval to Colvin's request to use an independent lawyer in September. But it has now said it won't pay the first set of bills until his lawyer discloses to the Justice Department who she has been talking with in relation to the THE CANADIAN PRESS









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Come on out trick-or-treaters — despite the flu scare

A health expert says there's absolutely no reason to keep healthy kids from trick-or-treating or holiday parties – despite H1N1. But Dr. Anne Matlow, of Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children, says kids should avoid eating anything that isn't pre-wrapped and should wash their hands before digging in. THE CANADIAN PRESS

The spy who blitzed Canada

Sieafried was a Stasi snooper

In the twilight of the Cold War, East German spies scooped up Canadian secrets on ... imitation leather and welding rods.

But they also went after cutting edge military technology.

New research shows the Stasi, the massive intelligence arm of the now-defunct German Democratic Republic, also obtained confidences of the Canadian Security Intelligence Service, includ-ing the names of employ-

One shadowy agent code-named Siegfried collected dozens of pieces of docu-mentation such as residence and work permits information spies could use to slip into Canada.

The revelations of the Stasi's wide-ranging information scooping were un-earthed by Helmut Muller-Enbergs of the German federal commission for the Stasi archives in Berlin.

His findings will be pre-

"The state regulations governing everyday life were of primary concern."

Helmut Muller-Enbergs

sented at a conference in

Ottawa on Saturday.
The Hauptverwaltung A, the Stasi foreign intelligence service, had "undoubtedly deep insights into the domestic and for-eign affairs of Canada," Muller-Enbergs says.

For eight years beginning in 1981, Siegfried the spy passed more than five dozen pieces of intelligence to Stasi headquar-

The reports included information on passports, residence permits, car registration. unemployment income insurance and THE CANADIAN PRESS

Jack Poole Grief for father of 2010 Games



Mourners cry following funeral services for Jack Poole in Vancouver yesterday. Hundreds of people showed up to pay their respects to the chairman of Vancouver Organizing Committee for the 2010 Olympics. Poole died Oct. 23 at the age of 76 after a lengthy battle with pancreatic cancer.

Afghanistan's bitter legacy: Military suicides rise over 2008

war More Canadian soldiers killed themselves in 2008 than the year be-

fore.
But the military says the overall suicide rate has remained steady throughout the war in Afghanistan.

Fifteen active-duty members took their own lives last year — a rate of 23 per 100,000 — versus 11 confirmed suicides in 2007, according to newly released Defence Department statistics.

But the average rate of suicide over three years, from 2005 to 2008, was 17.9 per 100,000.

Those are the years that involved the heaviest combat in Afghanistan and the highest number of troop rotations.

Surprisingly, the military does not track suicides among reservists who are filling an ever-increasing number of the positions in the battle groups that are deployed for six month rotations in Kandahar.

The figures, from the military's medical branch, come amid greater public awareness of the issue following media coverage of the growing number of cases among U.S. soldiers.

There were 128 confirmed U.S. army suicides in 2008 — a rate of 20.2 deaths per 100,000. The U.S. Marine Corp suicide rate was 19 per 100,000 THE CANADIAN PRESS

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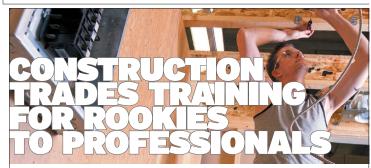
New fears over N.S. seal hunt

MINISTER Nova Scotia's environment minister would be given more power to approve a commercial grey seal hunt in a protected area of the province under amendments proposed vesterday.

The move triggered immediate outcry from opponents of the hunt.

Sterling Belliveau, who is also fisheries minister, was asked whether he could conceive of any reason why he wouldn't approve another hunt

don't see anything that could prevent that, he said THE CANADIAN PRESS



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Jim will fix it – for some pensioners

Retirees rejoice. Ottawa is protecting your pensions — a little.

The federal government says it will change the way federally-regulated company pension plans are run to provide greater protection for retirees

Finance Minister Jim Flaherty yesterday unveiled changes he said will help put private-sector plans on a more sound footing.

The changes will extend guarantees that pensioners

won't get short shrift ir bad economic times.

But the reforms don't cover the vast majority of pension plans under provincial jurisdiction such as the plan at Nortel Networks, where workers fear the technology company's dismantling will leave them out in the cold.

"It does absolutely nothing for the Nortel pensioners," said Don Sproule, head of an advocacy group. Malcolm Hamilton, with Mercer Human Resource Consulting, said the changes will do little to fix short-term problems.

"I wouldn't expect it to have a large impact," Hamilton said.

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China executes two for Tibetan violence

10 Two people were put to death for their roles in deadly protests last year in the Chinese-controlled region of Tibet, the first known executions for the violence, an overseas monitoring group said yesterday. China confirmed the executions but gave no details. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Tiger experts say species dying out

The world's tiger population is declining fast despite efforts to save them, and new strategies are urgently needed to keep the species from dying out, international wildlife experts said yesterday. An estimated 3,500 to 4,000 tigers now roam the planet, down from the more than 100,000 estimated at the beginning of the 20th century. All the remaining tigers are in Asia. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

News in brief

FRANCE A Paris court convicted the Church of Scientology of fraud and fined it more than \$900,000 vesterday, but stopped short of banning the group's activities. The court convicted the church's French office, its library and six of its leaders of organized fraud. Investigators said the group pressured members into paying large sums of money for questionable financial gain and used "commercial harassment" against recruits.

CARIBBEAN A British Virgin Islands jury convicted a U.S. man of murder yesterday in the drowning of his wife during a scuba-diving excursion a decade ago. David Swain killed Shelley Tyre to pursue a romance with another woman and get his hands on his wife's

BRITAIN A local council says the fossilized skull of a giant sea monster has been found off the south coast of England. The fossil came from a pliosaur, a ferocious predator that lived in the oceans 150 million years THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Lower expectations

UN scales back hope for quick global climate change deal

Just weeks before an international conference on climate change, the United Nations signalled it was scaling back expectations of reaching agreement on a new treaty to slow global

warming.
Janos Pasztor, director of the UN secretary-general's Climate Change Support Team, said yesterday it's hard to say how far the conference will be able to go" because the U.S. Congress has not agreed on a climate bill, and industrialized nations have not agreed on targets to reduce their carbon dioxide emissions or funding to help developing countries limit their discharges.

Pasztor told a news con-ference "there is tremendous activity by governments in capitals and internationally to shape the outcome" of the climate change conference in Copenhagen, Denmark, in early December, which "is a good development" because political leadership is essential to make a deal.

But he indicated that Copenhagen most likely won't produce a treaty, but instead will push governments as far as they can go on the content of an agreement.

Ban said he plans to meet with U.S. Senate

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Replacing Kyoto

 UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon has made a new climate treaty his top priority, after hosting a Sept. 22 summit on climate change to build momentum for a global agreement to replace the Kyoto Protocol, which only requires 37 industrialized nations to cut emissions.

leaders to encourage passage of a climate bill. By doing so, they "can have a huge political impact for other negotiators of other countries," Ban said. Many developing na-

tions, such as China and India, "are ready to make some political compromises only if and only when the United States is ready to do that.'

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Obama looks to modernize American power grid

U.S. President FLORIDA Barack Obama made a pitch for renewable energy yesterday, announcing \$3.4 billion US in government sup-port for 100 projects aimed at modernizing the American power grid.

Touring a field of solar energy panels in Florida, the president urged greater use of several technologies to make the country's power transmission system more efficient and better suited to the digital age. The projects include installing installing "smart" electric meters in homes, automating utility substations, and installing thousands of digital transformers and grid sensors. He likened the effort to the ambitious development of the national highway system 50 years ago.

But even as Obama pitched more efficient and renewable energy use, his trip made it clear that old



Barack Obama tours the DeSoto Next Generation Solar Energy Center yesterday in Florida.

habits die hard. He arrived in a motorcade of gas-guzzling SUVs. While waiting for the motorcade to get started, vans kept their engines running to provide air conditioning for occupants escaping a hot Florida sun.

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event - an extraordinary evening with Stephen Lewis, hosted by CBC's Jian Gameshi. Featuring incredible food and an open dialogue on key issues surrounding poverty, this event promises to motivate, uplift and invigorate.

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Clouds, wind halt NASA launch

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NASA will try again today to launch its newest rocket for a test flight after bad weather and other factors thwarted attempts yesterday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Navies search for boaters feared captured by pirates

hunted yesterday for a British couple feared taken by Somali pirates while sailing from the Seychelles islands, and as night fell units were trailing three

suspicious vessels. Cmdr. John Harbour of the European Union Naval Force said one of its helicopters spotted a yacht towing two skiffs about 320 kilometres from the pirate stronghold of Haradhere. He said it was too dark to read the vessel's name but its location suggested it could be the Chandlers' yacht.

Paul and Rachel Chandler were heading to Tanzania in their yacht, the Lynn Rival, when a distress signal was sent early Friday, according to the U.K. Mar-

"You never believe it's going to be one of those things that happens to your family."

Leah Mickleborough, niece of missing couple

itime and Coast Guard Agency. A resident of Haradhere who said he was a member of a pirate gang said eight pirates were aboard the yacht. Pirate attacks have increased in recent weeks following a several-months long monsoon season that had made waters too rough for piracy.

Leah Mickleborough, the Chandlers' niece, told BBC radio they are very experi-

deliberately themselves in danger.

"When you hear of things like this you possibly expect the worst might have happened but you always hope that it hasn't," she said. "You never believe it's going to be one of those things that happens to your family."

Pirates have preyed on yachts before. In April, the French captain of the Tanit was killed during a rescue operation by French commandos. He had been held for six days along with his wife, child and two other adults. Pirates also seized a French luxury yacht in 2008, and two other yachts earlier this year.

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News in brief

PAKISTAN Gunmen attacked a high-ranking Pakistani army officer as he drove through Islamabad yesterday in the second targeted shooting against top military brass in less than a week, authorities said. The

officer escaped unhurt. **RHODE ISLAND** Police say a motorist hit someone with his car and then drove more than a mile with him stuck in his windshield. Christopher Swiridowsky has been charged

with leaving the scene of an accident. Authorities say Swiridowsky stopped only because someone was following him. The victim's legs and an arm are broken.

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Bat biologists seek to repopulate caves hit by fungus

Wildlife biologists studying a mysterious fungus killing off hundreds of thousands of bats want to find out if they can repopulate caves decimated by the disease. Researchers will introduce 79 healthy little brown bats to two hibernation sites in Vermont hit hard by the fungus. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Gates, wife urge global health aid

The billionaire co-founder of Microsoft is touting what he sees as an investment with enormous returns — the money spent to improve health care in poor countries and the millions of lives saved because of it.

"Global health money

improves lives more than any other spending," Bill Gates told a roundtable discussion yesterday on a new initiative called The Living Proof Project that is being launched by Gates and his wife, Melinda.

The two were in Washington to urge policy-mak-

ers and others to continue or even increase federal dollars spent on programs to fight AIDS, malaria and other diseases in underdeveloped nations.

"We're seeing a lot of hope on the ground," said Melinda Gates.

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Bill and Melinda Gates say foreign aid from global health money is crucial to cut deaths worldwide.

Ships collide off Japanese coastline

FIRES A Japanese navy destroyer and a Korean commercial vessel collided last night off southern Japan, causing fires on both vessels, CBC News Online reports.

The destroyer Kurama and the other vessel — a container ship named the Carina Star — collided in _____ the Kanmon

Damage

• The Kurama's bow was badly damaged, but the ship could still navigate. Strait near Japan's southern main island of Kyushu, about 850 kilometres southwest of Tokyo, Japan Coast Guard

spokesman Seishi Izumi said.

The Kurama was reported to be still burning late last night local time, although the fire was said to be under control. Izumi said paint stored in the destroyer apparently caught fire after the impact.

The fire on the Korean vessel was put out shortly after the collision.

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Member of Nazi death squad on trial for killings

GERMANY Heinrich Boere has admitted to gunning down three men as part of a Waffen SS death squad — civilians killed in retribution for partisan attacks in Holland as the tide of the Second World War turned against the Nazis.

But for six decades after the war, he managed to avoid punishment — first escaping from a prisoner of war camp in the Netherlands, then successfully eluding German courts.

The 88-year-old goes on trial today at the state court in Aachen, charged with three murders — hits on a bicycle shop owner, a pharmacist and another civilian.

It will be the first time
Teun de Groot sees the
confessed killer of his father — the bicycle shop
owner — with his own
eyes. "I don't think he can
get out of it in any way
now," de Groot said. "I
would be a little disappointed if he got less than
natural life (in prison),
which is only a few years
for him anyway."
Boere volunteered for

Boere volunteered for the Nazis' fanatical Waffen SS only months after Adolf Hitler's forces had overrun the Netherlands.

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Feds seize drugs in chessboard

A calculated move to inspect a heavy chessboard paid off for customs officers at Philadelphia International Airport. Federal officials seized more than two pounds (one kilogram) of hashish and more than half an ounce of marijuana hidden inside the wooden game board.

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Brazil Play on!



In this photo released by Brazil's presidency, Brazil's President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva plays a trumpet yesterday as he poses for a photo with the presidential guard band on his 64th birthday at Alvorada palace in Brasilia.

No eBay support for abortionist's alleged killer

WEBSITE Online retailer eBay said yesterday it will block an auction planned to raise money for the man charged with killing Kansas abortion provider George Tiller.

Supporters of the man had said they wanted to raise money to pay for Scott Roeder's defence. They planned to auction off items including an Army of God manual, an underground publication for anti-abortion militants that describes ways to shut down clinics, including bombing.

bombing.
Also on the auction list was a prison cookbook compiled by Shelley Shannon, the Oregon woman who shot and wounded Tiller in 1993 and was later convicted in a series of abortion clinic arsons and bombings.

"Based on the details we know about the anticipated listings, we believe these would violate our policy regarding offensive material," eBay said in a statement.

If the items were posted, eBay said it would remove them from the online marketplace site because the company "does not allow listings that promote or glorify violence, hate, racial or religious intolerance." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Judge says night-night to stem-cell challenge

A U.S. judge yesterday dismissed a Christian adoption agency's challenge to Obama administration regulations expanding stem cell research.

The case arose from a decision by U.S. President Barack Obama to lift restraints on stem-cell research that were put in place by president George W. Bush.

Nightlight Christian Adoptions contended in a lawsuit that the government's new guidelines will decrease the number of human embryos available for adoption. U.S. District Judge Royce Lamberth

Nightlight

• Nightlight helps individuals adopt human embryos that are being stored in fertilization clinics. Nightlight began

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called that assertion speculative. Donors, the judge continue to store the em-

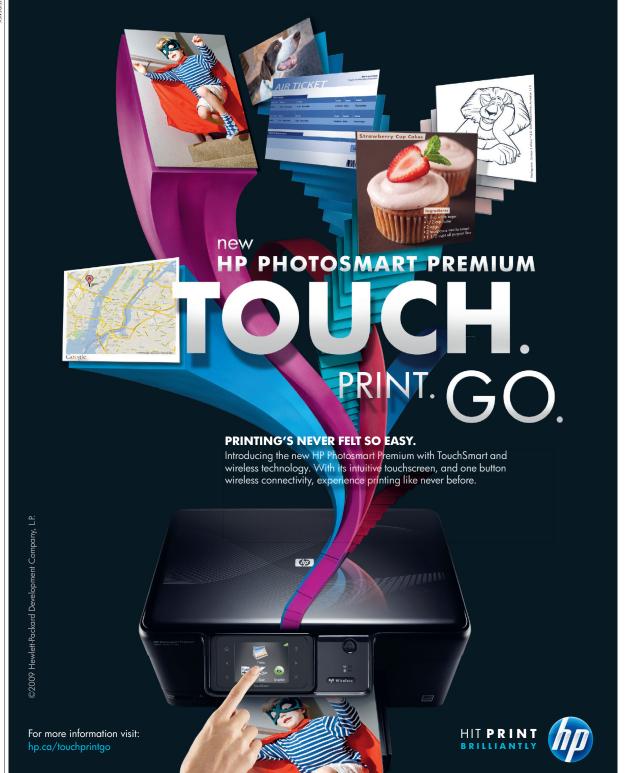
the program in 1997, using

some of more than 400,000

bryos or give them to an adoption agency rather than donate them for research.

For Nightlight to have grounds to sue, Lamberth ruled, potential embryo donors have to choose to donate their embryos for research and not for adoption.

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hen Stephen Harper let slip recently that he doesn't watch Canadian TV news but it's his "hobby" to watch U.S. TV news, it set

off a furor, mostly on Canadian TV news.

politicians Enemy jumped all over the opportunity for a sound bite like fleas on a dog. Jack Layton said Canadians "should be concerned." Bob Rae? He was "shocked," etc.

Michael Ignatieff wasn't available for comment. He was busy shooting his latest segment on This Hour Has 22 Minutes, that Canadian knock-off of an American news parody, only starring perky, colourful comedians from Newfoundland. When

you're No. 2 and fading, you learn to love Canadian TV news, perky Newfoundlanders included.

Does it really matter if Stephen Harper prefers Glenn Beck and Bill O'Reilly on Fox to Peter Mansbridge at CBC or Lloyd Roberston at CTV? Well, yeah, it does, a bit.

This is typical Harper. There's a nyaĥ-nyah quality to a lot of his discourse, especially the unscripted stuff. He likes to come across as untouchable and in this case, he would

rather watch the wrong country's newscasts than get caught with his nose pressed to the glass here at

Frankly, he's not much different than a lot of other Canadians who find the U.S. more fascinating than the Great Lite North. If I could follow the fortunes of Barack Obama or Stephen Harper, which one would I choose?

Wait a minute, I have that choice.

I admit to watching CNN, which is way ahead of even

the new, improved CBC News. They've got The Situation Room with Wolf Blitzer! They've got holograms! They've got Anderson Cooper 360. They've got Louuuuu Dobbs!

But then, I also watch Canadian TV news. Not just a mere source of information, it is the daily chronicle of our nation, our home. More than that, Canadian TV news is the mirror we hold up to ourselves. It is how we recognize ourselves.

That's why it seems a bit

cold for Stephen Harper to avert his gaze, whatever his reason, and turn his attention south. It would be nice if he showed some interest, now and then. If he pretended to care instead of pretending not to care.

But as my grandmother used to say, I should save my breath to cool my porridge. He's not going to read this piece anyway. Right, Steve?

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Word on the street: What extra precautions are you taking to reduce the risk of contracting H1N1?

John Spathanas age 48, Calgary

A: Oh, I'm getting the shot, washing hands really well, cleaning been more. We waited in line for the shot for a long time today.

Wyatt Milliard age 30, Calgary

A: I'm constantly washing my hands, using sanitizer, I even clean the house after someone comes over. I'm

anything

doing

ular, except washing my hands. You see it on the news but it doesn't really seem like a big deal at all ... My mom wants to get a vaccination for it but I don't think it's a big

Abdi Amy **Pyke** Elmi

age 18, Calgary

A: Nothing in particpeople.

age 44, Ottawa

A: I'm not worried about it. I don't know anyone who has it. They say it's a problem for young

Sade Thomasos age 23,

Vancouver

A: I'm in a contemporary health issues class ... that's teaching me ways I can actually help myself and people around me to not contract it, but mostly hand washing more than usual. And I carry

Alex Vaughan age 22, Cole Harbour, N.S.

A: As of yet I have not taken any extra precautions H1N1. I don't plan on getting vaccinat-ed either. I never





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U.S. home prices rise for the third straight month in August, signalling a housing recovery is taking hold. The Standard&Poor's/Case-Shiller home price index of 20 major cities released yesterday rose one per cent from July to a seasonally adjusted reading of 144.5. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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ay cuts for auto execs secret

Canadian governments are refusing to follow the lead of the U.S. Treasury and disclose whether auto executives here at taxpayer-funded General Motors and Chrysler will take further pay cuts, and how large those cuts might be.

Spokespersons for the federal and Ontario governments said yesterday GM and Chrysler execs in Canada are not among the top 25 paid employees of the parent U.S.-based automakers and therefore don't fall under disclosure terms of multibillion-dollar aid packages.

Last week, Washington released some details of additional sweeping executive pay cuts for seven companies that received American government aid including Chrysler and GM.

Kevin Gaudet, federal director of the Canadian Taxpayers Federation, said the continuing lack of disclosure by companies that rem.metrenews.ca



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ceive Canadian public aid is "disgusting."

"In the public service in Ontario, if you're making \$100,000 or more, it's pubinformation but if vou're a rich car executive. funded by taxpayers, it's not," Gaudet said.

The U.S. Treasury, which cut auto executive pay earlier this year, last week chopped the annual pay of GM chief executive officer Fritz Henderson by about 25 per cent to \$950,000 US.

Only one other GM official will receive more than \$500,000. The department released the pay of the executives but not their names. Torstar News SERVICE Number of El recipients down in August: StatsCan

BENEFITS The number of people receiving regular Însurance Employment benefits in August fell 2.4 per cent, or 19,100, from July, the second straight monthly decline.

Statistics Canada reports the number fell in nearly all provinces, with the most notable percentage declines in Newfoundland and Labrador, Ontario, Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

There were 763,200 beneficiaries in August, up **19,100** The number of people receiving regular EI benefits fell 19,100, or 2.4 per cent, in August.

52.5 per cent from the recession's start in October 2008

The number of initial and renewal claims received in August increased 8.2 per cent, or 22,500, to 298,300, following two months of declines.

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Business in brief

MEDIA Ex-employees of Canwest demonstrated outside a Toronto courthouse where lawyers are discussing severance. About 100 former Canwest staff and union members held signs calling for their severance payments to be resumed. It's the first time that the court has talked about

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BoC's action needed on rising dollar, urges CIBC

CURRENCY CIBC is warning that Canada's industrial base could be hollowed out if the Bank of Canada doesn't do something about the dollar.

The warning from the chief economist at Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce comes at a time when the central bank is

holding out the possibility of intervening to rein in the strong loonie.

The Bank of Canada hasn't recently used its power to buy and sell huge quantities of currency to affect the loonie's value, although it has done so in years past.

CIBC economist Avery

Shenfeld says central bank governor Mark Carney should intervene during extreme fluctuations of

the Canadian dollar.
Shenfeld says a strong loonie has benefits but they're outweighed by the long-term damage caused by an over-valued curren-THE CANADIAN PRESS

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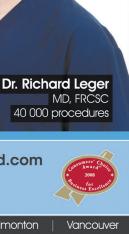
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Ott suspended two games for hip check

The NHL suspended Dallas Stars forward Steve Ott for two games yesterday for a low hit on St. Louis Blues defenceman Carlo Colaiacovo. The incident occurred midway through the second period in the Stars' 4-1 victory last Saturday. No penalty was assessed on the play. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Sports



IOC address gender issues

The International Olympic Committee will convene a special conference of medical experts to draw up guidelines for deal ing with "ambiguous" gender cases in the wake of the rrounding South African runner Caste Semenya, left. The IOC did away with mandatory gender testing at the Olympics 10 years ago.

Time off means it's time to get creative

With five games in 21 days the Flames need to find a way to pass the time during homestand

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games in 21 days? What are the Calgary Flames going to do with all their spare time this three-week during this homestand?

Oh sure, they'll practise all the little things like killing penalties and getting used to the systems of new coach Brent Sutter. But there's still the vast chunk of 16 days off to deal with.

Here are 10 suggestions to fill those extra hours

Landscape Olli Jokinen's back yard with palm trees, sand and swamp to make it look like Florida.

There's gotta be a way to get him generating offence like his days with the Pan-

Get the Christmas shopping out of the way, deck the house up with red lights and get a good solid jump on the holiday greeting cards.

Send Curtis McElhinney down to Abbotsford for a game or two.

He's not likely to play with Miikka Kiprusoff not needing time off, so boost his confidence and gameexperience with some time in the world's second best league.

The Sutter farms are just up the highway and they'll never turn down a helping hand. If all the harvest work has wrapped up. there's sure to be some machinery that needs to be cleaned and/or cattle that

need grooming.

Dress up as the dirtiest, stinkiest bunch of frontiersmen the West has ever seen for Halloween night Saturday. The Red Wings are in town and the Flames haven't had much luck with them lately. Intimidate them with filth.

Start a yoga or pilates program. Nothing helps maintain core strength as much as these programs. Something has to help those last-minute breakdowns (goals allowed

or penalties taken) the Flames have made a bad habit this season.

Start a Battle of The Blades, Calgary Flames ver-

Hook up with some of the top female figure skaters in town and start the team's own reality show. Come to think of it, nah, trash that idea.

Spend some time with the Calgary Hitmen. Nothing inspires a group of young players more than to see what possibly could be part of their future.

Watch tape after tape af-

ter tape of the Chicago Blackhawks. They have your number and you know they are bound to be an opponent in the play-

Hold spots in line for Calgarians waiting for the H1N1 vaccine.

It's a good opportunity to blend with the community, sign autographs, talk trash about the Oilers and buoy spirits.

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Beeston gets president job

Jays.

BASEBALL It turns out that 2008 and his primary re-Paul Beeston's return to the Toronto

Blue Jays isn't that Jays interim after all. Beeston was appointed president the first emand CEO of the club ployee ever and Rogers Centre hired by the for a three-year term yesterday, ac-

cepting a job he re-peatedly said he wasn't interested in. Beeston took over from Paul Godfrey on an interim basis in October

sponsibility was to identify and hire his own successor.

While he sought Beeston was someone willing to make a 5-to-10 year commitment, team owner Rogers Communications Inc., repeatedly pressed him to take him the

job permanently. He made up his mind to accept the term over the weekend.

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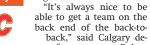
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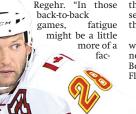
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fenceman Robyn Regehr. "In those ne Calgary will put NHL The Flames will put their three-game back-to-back games, winning streak on the line against the red-hot Colorado



tor. As a home team you want to take advantage of that. You want to jump on teams early."

Heading into last night's action, the Avalanche sat atop the Northwest Division with an 8-1-2 record, while the Flames matched their best-ever start to a season by going 7-2-1 in their first 10 games.

"We want to get to where they're at right now," said forward Rene Bourque, who leads the Flames with 15 points in 10 games.

Bourque previously played in the minors and on the Chicago Blackhawks with Craig Anderson — the Avalanche goalie owned an impresgoals 2.14 against THE CANADIAN PRESS

Robyn Regehr

Playoff picture in CFL remains unclear

FOOTBALL The CFL playoff picture still remains muddled heading into the final two weeks of the regular season.

The Calgary Stampeders and Saskatchewan Roughriders have already cemented post-season berths in the West Division, although they remain tied for top spot with 9-6-1 records.

Both are on the road Saturday, with the Stamps visiting the B.C. Lions and the Riders in Hamilton.

Calgary can cement a home playoff game with a win or tie against the Lions. Saskatchewan can do so with a win, Lions' loss or with a tie and B.C. tie. The third-place Lions (8-8) would clinch a playoff berth with a win over Calgary or losses by both Hamilton and Winnipeg.

Montreal has clinched first in the Eastern

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Baseball fans want no DH in World Series: Poll

MLB DH or no DH in the World Series? Just decide,

Baseball fans want a clearcut answer on the designated hitter dilemma that pops up every Octo-ber. Whether they'll stay awake to watch the games this week, nearly half say

Those were the findings of an Associated Press-Knowledge Networks poll released yesterday, with fans predicting the New

York Yankees would win championship and the Alex Rodriguez would be voted MVP.

The poll found 38 per cent want no DH in the Series and 34 per cent favour full-time use. Only 28 per cent liked the current way — a DH in AL stadiums but not in NL parks. Major League Baseball did make one change for the Series this year, moving up start times to around 8 p.m. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Baseball fans are waiting for an answer to the DH question.

Did vou know?

Research conducted by the Enterprise Council on Small Business in 2008 found that 83 per cent of small businesses rely on word of mouth marketing to promote their business and products. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Survey says...

According to the TD Canada Trust Canadian Small Business Report Card, 98 per cent of Canadian small business owners gave themselves a passing grade, which suggests 2009 was a very good year for small businesses in METRO NEWS SERVICES

For the love of music

There are decisions made in pivotal moments in evervone's life that changes the course of their lives.

For East Vancouver-based guitar maker Billy Bones, it was when the high-end furniture making shop he was working for went under several years ago.

At that point, he thought about the things he loved: Pinball, motorcycles, and rock 'n' roll.

"I thought I should do something with rock 'n' roll with my life," Bones said, who also plays guitar in Vancouver-based garagepunk band The Vicious Cy-

So after he finished a guitar-building course in Calgary, he launched Sparrow Guitars in 2004.

Learning how to craft a guitar is one thing, but trying to enter a market with such established giants like Gibson and Fender is another mounting challenge. He looked for a way to enter the guitar market where he could find a wedge.

"What I came up with is graphics on the guitar," he said. Inspired by '50s "hot rod greaser culture," his line of guitars features pinstriping, flames and highquality custom graphics.

Although Sparrow Guitars' brand was built on flashy graphics, it was important to Bones to build a reputation for good, quality guitars.

"At first, I'd always hear, 'That looks cool,' but now people are adding, 'And it's a really good guitar.

He said the goal from the start was to produce a guitar that a kid can afford to play and that's going to sound great.

Bones said he tries to keep costs down without compromising quality by outsourcing some of the production while keeping the assembly in Canada.

He's currently looking for cost-effective ways to produce the guitars entirely in Canada.

Sparrow offers five models of guitars with fairly traditional body shapes, which retail for about \$500 to \$1,800.

Sparrow has grown from producing 200 guitars in its first year to 1,200 in 2008, and expects to double its output in the next two

years.
"I basically put everything I had into this company," he said. "For the first three years, we were throw-ing money into a big hole." Building a presence for

the brand has taken time, he says, but it's beginning to pay off with 2008 marking the first year he turned a profit.

The 34-year-old Bones says learning the business was not without its hurdles.

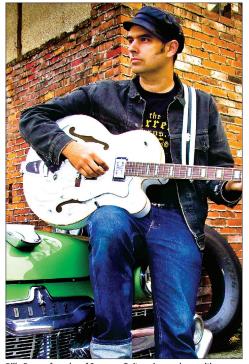
Many retailers expressed interest in his guitars in the first year, but would tell him, "I love those guitars. If you survive the next three years, I'll buy a ton of those."

The first three years was like the rite of passage into the business.

Today, his guitars are sold in North America, the United Kingdom, Europe and Australia, and Sparrow is endorsed by rockers like Duff McKagan of Loaded formerly of Velvet Revolver and Guns N' Roses — as well as noteworthy punk bands like NOFX, Anti-Flag and D.O.A.

Endorsements have been vital in building brand awareness, said Bones, because in this industry, one guitar player influences other guitar players.
"A lot of people, a majori-

ty of guitar players, want to play what their rock heroes play. They want to get that same sound."



Billy Bones, founder of Sparrow Guitars, is seen here with a Big Daddy model from his line of guitars.

Dragons' Den **Dianne Buckner** metronews.ca/dragonsder

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In a 9-to-5 world, is there support for a '9-to-5 bra'?

work? This is a HOT topic of discussion on tonight's episode of Dragons' Den!

The subject comes up thanks to a pitch by Andrea Clair, who has invented a piece of lingerie she calls the "9-to-5 Bra." It's designed to cover a woman's breasts so that no cleavage is visible, no matter how well-endowed that woman may be. Andrea wants the five Canadian multi-millionaires known as the Dragons to invest in her company — and tells them there are lots of buyers for her bra: Women who want to look truly professional.

She's likely right that if your clothing is too provocative (or even flashy), it makes it more difficult for colleagues to focus on how well you're doing your job. And that could hinder your

chances for advancement.

The bigger issue to my mind, is that how you dress shows how you view your-self. If you've decided you're a sex-bomb, that's great if you're aiming for a job at Hooters or Chippendale's, but it may not lead to pro-

Time for a new career?

motion in other workplaces. Does the 9-to-5 bra attract an investment?

You'll have to watch to find out.

Dianne Buckner is the host of Dragons' Den. Tonight's episode airs at 8 p.m. on CBC. Fol-low Dianne on Twitter @DianneBuckner.

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Travel

Minivans are tastier: Yosemite bears

The black bears who call California's Yosemite National Park home have developed a taste for minivans, according to a study in the Journal of Mammology. Minivans sented 29 per cent of the 908 vehicles torn into by bears between 2001 and 2007, even though they made up just seven per cent of the cars visiting the park. The research notes that minivans are often driven by families with children who leave behind a trail of spilled juice boxes. Cheerios and snack-filled coolers.

Surrounded by colonial charm Oaxaca's boutique hotels capture the city's historical ambience

DAWNA L. ROBERTSON for Metro Canada

Lauded as one of the best preserved and most captivating of Mexico's storied colonial towns, Oaxaca City melds the spiritual tapestry of yesterday with the artistic life of today into an atmosphere that's pure magic.

Its flamboyant blend of native Indian and provincial architecture is rooted in centuries' worth of local

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history. The Mixtecs and Zapotecs once constructed great centres in this same archaeological zones that are today considered among Mexico's most fascinating.

Later on, Conquistador Hernán Cortés chose the Valley of Oaxaca when of-fered a reward from the bounty of land he seized for Emperor Charles V,

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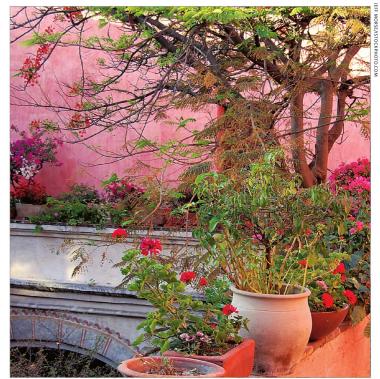
Camino Real Oaxaca

Among Oaxaca's most revered monuments is the former 16th century convent of Santa Catalina, a colonial structure that sparkles today as the AAA four-diamond Camino Real Oaxaca.

Meticulously restored to retain its grace, the hotel features romantic Spanish Baroque architecture and authentic colonial touches. There are sprawling tiled corridors with fading original frescoes, sunsplashed courtyards, jasmine-scented patios and vibrant gardens.

All 91 guest rooms are decorated with traditional high-beamed ceilings, stucco walls, hand-loomed bedspreads and wooden furnishings. Wooden beams support exposed terracotta ceiling tiles, and original floor tiles have been retained where possi-

All rooms accommodate with air conditioning, fan, cable television, clock, telephone with data port for Internet connection, fluffy pillows and oversized cushions. Guests opting for the Camino Real Club revel in larger rooms fitted with extras



A vibrant courtyard of the Camino Real hotel in Oaxaca City, Mexico.

like a welcome fruit basket and lavish buffet breakfast.

For a refreshing on-property escape, guests gravi-tate to the relaxing Las Bugambilias and lively Las Novicias bars nestled amid

the building's classical fa-

And for dining, El Refectorio presents Oaxacan and classic continental specialties in four distinctive areas - one that's framed by a wall of earthenware pots discovered during restoration.

Rates: Double occupancy rates are from \$268 to 428 US nightly.

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imalist style.

With a bright white design, Mediterranean Casa Oaxaca is known as the city's "art hotel" for the paintings and craftworks adorning each of its eight guest rooms including six luxe quarters clustered around the main patio. Generous in size and uncommon in tone, each offers air conditioning, telephone and cable television. Guests can sip beverages on the roof terrace, lounge on quiet patios or bask in a heavenly temazcal steam bath.

Perhaps most prolific is Casa Oaxaca el Restaurante, a high-end eatery that's arguably one of the city's finest. With fresh Oaxacan produce and Pacific catches, Chef Alejandro Ruiz prepares such creative gourmet specialties as squash blossoms stuffed with fresh cheese and honey, or pork with mancha manteles mole.

Hard-core foodies will relish the Chef's Route of Flavors, an Oaxacan market immersion bombarding the senses with multicolored vegetables, seductive chocolates, fragrant spices and mouthwatering moles.

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Detailed craftsmanship prevails throughout, with stained-wood furnishings. hammered tin or wrought iron headboards and marble counter vanities. Most rooms are equipped with cable TV, telephone with data port, ceiling fan, coffee/tea maker, and private bath that pampers with oversized fluffy towels and toiletries.

Even public spaces retain the privacy and lustre of a bygone era. The gentle atmosphere invites you to shroud yourself in bliss on a fountained patio shaded by canvas parasols and surrounded by an aesthetic pier-and-arch arcade.

Or unwind on the roof top sun deck with cocktails at Los Chapulines before savoring sumptuous fare at Asuncion Restaurante.

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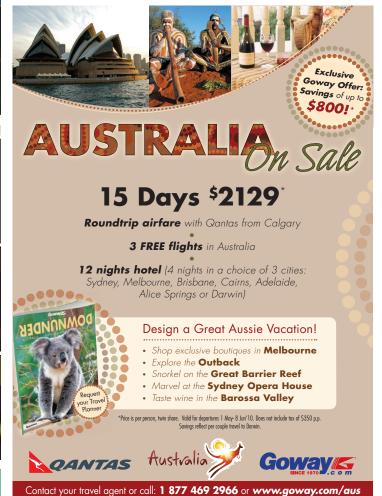
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A favorite is Bella Epoca, where everything comes in threes — a trio of rooms with three sets of French doors leading to three balconies. The bath is a dream with soft light fragmented by crystal lamps and brocade curtains framing the tub.

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Life's take on Wonders of the World

There were seven wonders in the ancient world, and contests have been held to identify manmade and natural wonders of the modern world. Now a new book, Life Wonders of the World, offers another take on the concept, profiling 50 wonders in six categories. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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What's new at North American ski destinations

The November issue of National Geographic Adventure magazine is recommending 11 ski destinations across North America. They are:

- Snowmass in Colorado, described as an alternative to the "hustle and bustle of downtown Aspen"
- pen."
 Sun Valley, Idaho, which
 the magazine says is
 launching its first gondola
 this winter for the ride
 2,000 vertical feet (610
 metres) up Bald Mountain.
- Park City Mountain Resort in Utah, where you can reach the High West Distillery and Saloon's bar and tapas restaurant on skis via the Quittin' Time run.
- Rossland, B.C., described as a "no-stoplights, no-Starbucks former mining town" with incredible backcountry.
- Northstar-at-Tahoe in California, with a new Ritz Carlton and a new gondola to complement the deep Sierra snows and tall ponderosa pines.
- Mount Bachelor in Oregon, where daily lift tickets this season will be priced \$49, \$59 or \$69, depending on lift-serviced available terrain and weather factors such as visibility, wind, precipitation and temperature.
- Whistler Blackcomb in B.C., where only 10 per cent of the mountain will be closed to the public during the Olympics.
- Sugar Bowl in the Lake Tahoe-Truckee area, where a new Olympic sport, skicross, will be featured on a new course in a pre-Olympics show, Feb.

Cruise site names annual winners

CRUISE TRAVEL Royal Caribbean won the award for best family cruise line and Carnival won in the category of best for first-time cruisers in CruiseCritic com's annual editors' picks awards. Royal Caribbean's Freedom Class of ships also won the awards for best cruises for kids and best for teens. Holland America won in the best for cabins and best for activities categories, while Carnival won best for nightlife.

Other honours included Princess winning best for weddings at sea, the Celebrity Solstice and Equinox sister ships winning for best new ship, Carnival winning for best main dining, Oceania for best specialty restaurants and Celebrity winning for best healthy dining.

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1-17. The sport involves four skiers at a time down a course with banked turns and jumps — think Moto Cross on skis.

• Jay Peak Resort in Vermont, which is opening a new luxury hotel this season, the Tram Haus Lodge.
• Cannon Mountain, in New Hampshire, which this season will provide

shuttle transportation to Mittersill, an abandoned ski area that can now offer backcountry skiers access to ungroomed terrain.

 Saddleback in Maine, where the owners have been increasing skiable terrain and improving facilities, and will open a new glade this winter.

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Getting the most for your money

• Look for "fly-in, ski-out" deals that might include direct flights to local airports with transportation from the airport to the lodge, so you don't have to rent a car. Some resorts have free airport shuttles, and some airport shuttles, and some airport shuttles, and some airport shuttles.

ports offer buses to ski areas with inexpensive and convenient pick-up and drop-off locations.

drop-off locations.

• Look for freebies, especially if you're travelling with children. Many resorts offer some packages with options

where kids ski, stay and/or

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A new European Union project, made up of several partners including Volvo Cars, is being launched to develop and test technology for vehicles that can drive themselves in long "trains" on highways. CANADIANDRIVER.COM

Metro Drive

What's the colour?

General Motors is asking the general public to come up with a name for the colour of its preproduction Chevrolet Volt. You can enter — and eventually vote — at chevroletvolt age.com. The three top vote-getters win a trip to the L.A. Auto Show.

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LaCrosse holds allure

Buick aims to get young buyers behind the wheel

JIL MCINTOSH for Metro Canada

Buick owners are among the oldest in the market, but GM plans to change that. The 2010 LaCrosse has what it takes, if younger shoppers get behind the wheel to see for themselves.

It's the all-new version of the Allure, which was always called LaCrosse in the U.S. (the Canadian name was changed because it's a naughty slang term in French). It's expensive to sell a car under two names, and GM should have called it LaCrosse all along. At least it's finally smartened

It's also smartened up about putting out the right stuff. Allure — which was made in Oshawa, but production has moved to Kansas — was an OK car. LaCrosse is a really good one.

Å 3.0-litre V6 powers the base CX, which starts at \$32,745, and the mid-range



The 2010 Buick Lacrosse is the all-new version of the Allure, which was always called LaCrosse in the U.S.; inside, the LaCrosse is well equipped and exceptionally comfortable.

CXL, at \$34,745. The CXL is also the only one that adds all-wheel-drive, at \$38,245. The top-line CXS uses a 3.6-litre V6 and starts at \$40,745.

At 255 horsepower, the 3.0 isn't as strong as the 280-horsepower 3.6, and

you can feel a few shift points where the transmission is tuned more for fuel economy than for performance.

LaCrosse is also built in Korea and China for those markets. Buick is a luxury brand in China and owners are often chauffeur-driven, so the back seat is exceptionally roomy and comfortable.

The interior blends traditional and modern; available technology features include side blind zone alert, adaptive headlights

2010 Buick LaCrosse

Type: Four-door sedan Price: from \$32, 745 Engine: 3.0L V6/3.6L V6 HP: 255/280

Highlights

Excellent handling
Good blend of the traditional and the modern

that turn with the wheels, and a head-up display that projects the vehicle speed onto the windshield.

There is some room for improvement. More soft-touch plastics would be nice, and the A-pillars are very wide and create a blind spot. My biggest complaint is with the shift lever, which pulls back too far, making it tough to use the manual shift mode.

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Little action at Tokyo show



he ongoing auto show in Tokyo has been notable on several fronts.

For one thing, unlike North American shows, the Japanese show continues to feature a predominance of female "presenters." Is there a shortage of male models in Japan?

This year's show was also notable for the absence of every major non-Japanese automaker. No Ford, No VW no Fiat, No Jaguar. Not even a representative from nearby Korea.

"Tokyo has been regulated to regional show status," says Mike Robinet, a native of Windsor, Ont., who is now the global analyst for CMS Forecasting, a Michigan-based firm who supplies auto industry forecasts to clients around the world, including many automakers.

Mike notes that historically, automakers would go anywhere the global media showed up. Nowadays, they only go to shows that repre-



Toyota Motor Corp. president Akio Toyoda introduces the Lexus LFA at the Tokyo Motor Show last week. Wow factors like the LFA were few and far between at the auto event this year.

sent markets where they can sell some vehicles.

Via a combination of strict import regulations, and other factors (both cultural and economic), very few imports are sold in Japan. Notes Robinet: "The number of Chevys sold in Japan, is between zero and a small number."

In that part of the world the action is definitely in China, which has just supplanted the U.S. as the world's biggest auto market.

The action is definitely not in Japan, which is proving tough even for its homegrown automakers. Put that down to a sagging economy and demographics; the latter characterized by low birth rates, low immigration, and a mature population starting to downsize their vehicles.

According to Robinet, this means Japanese automakers will focus on export markets even more than they have in the past. But what's going to hurt them there is the yen. "As the yen continues to appreciate, they become less and less competitive."

The way to get around that is to build cars where you sell them. So expect to see more Japanese brand production in North America, particularly in Mexico.

The other thing to expect from Japanese makers is more focus on fun and emotional cars. With every one matching them on quality, they need another calling card.

Michael Goetz has been writing about cars and editing automotive publications for over 20 years. He lives in Toronto with his family and a neglected 1967 Jaquar E-type.



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Liz praises MJ movie as best she's ever seen

Elizabeth Taylor has high praise for the new movie about her late friend Michael Jackson. The 77-year-old actress said Michael Jackson's This Is It is "the single most brilliant piece of filmmaking" she has ever seen. usmagazine.com

Entertainment



She's back!

Amy Winehouse had quite a coming out party at the British Q Awards — showing the world when they slipped out of her corset when she left the

Director given HIStoric task

The creative legacy of Michael Jackson may lie in the hands of Kenny Ortega, but looking at him vou'd never know it. Sitting in a Toronto hotel room, the director and choreographer appears warm and relaxed despite the insanely high expectations that surround the release of This Is It.

Following the King of Pop's sudden death in June, Ortega, tapped to choreograph Jackson's London comeback shows, was handed the unenviable task of assembling a feature length film out of the rough footage shot during the rehearsals.

"I didn't want to do it. I didn't have a chance to sort of catch my breath or gain any distance or objectivity over what had happened," he says.

"It wasn't my idea and in fact I said no."

Despite his reservations, Ortega was a natural choice to helm the project. He previously choreo-graphed Jackson's Dangerous and HIStory tours in



Director/choreographer Kenny Ortega, right, is pictured with Michael Jackson. Ortega was given the unenviable task of putting together the film This Is It.

the '90s and also had a strong film background, choreographing films like Dirty Dancing and direct-ing the incredibly successful High School Musical trilogy.

He did agree to take a look at the footage and weigh in as to whether he felt there was enough usable material for a film.

"I realized it was my responsibility," he says.

"How could I turn it over to somebody else? It was

our creation. We were doing this together.'

Ortega and a team of four editors began assembling the footage in July, handing in the finished product at the beginning of this month.

'We didn't add anything to it," he says. "It's the honest footage that existed from the moment that Michael made the announcement in London to the day that Michael died."

From the 12-minutes of

footage critics were allowed to see prior to the film's premiere, it's clear the shows were a collaborative process between Jackson and his choreographer; Ortega can be seen standing on stage directing Jackson and backup dancers or heard off-screen discussing tweaks with the

star standing on stage. The film will either confirm Jackson as the creative genius many claimed he was or expose him as

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the washed up nut-job that the tabloid media has framed him as for the past decade and a half.

"(This is) the story that the fans needed to see," says Ortega.

The fans will really get sense of the material Michael was planning for the show'

• This is it opens in theatres today. Read tomorrow's edition of Metro for a review of the film.

Anna Nicole given "hospital heroin"?

DRUGS A pain management expert testified that Anna Nicole Smith's doctor prescribed multiple opiates to her, including an addictive drug he called "hospital heroin."

Dr. James Gagne testified yesterday in Los Angeles that Dr. Sandeep Kapoor excessively prescribed drugs to the former Playboy model without a medical basis. In Gagne's review of Kapoor's records, he found Kapoor gave Smith the drug Dilaudid for several months in 2004 after she broke her ribs. Kapoor later wrote that he was weaning her off of it. However, Gagne said, dosages inexplicably increased afterward.

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In **brief**

LAWSUIT A cosmetics-marketing company claims in a New York lawsuit that Naomi Campbell didn't hand over its cut of the proceeds from a fragrancelicensing agreement. The lawsuit says the supermodel vio-lated a 1998 contract by leaving Moodform Mission out of a deal made within roughly the past year. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Bruce Springsteen cancelled a performance in Kansas City, Mo., after his cousin, who entertainment 25 worked as an assistant road manager, was found dead in his hotel room Monday. USMAGAZINE.COM

Flockhart's new challenge

Actor's role weightier in new season of Brothers & Sisters

NED EHRBAR Metro World News

Aside from the odd film role, Calista Flockhart stepped out of the limelight after wrapping up Ally McBeal in 2002 to focus on raising her son,

Then, three years ago, Liam started elementary school and Flockhart went back to work, joining the cast of another network drama. Brothers and Sis-

She's been happily part of the ensemble, but now Flockhart finds herself front and centre once again as the new season of the ABC series focuses on her character Kitty's battle with cancer

The hardest part of the job? "It's itchy," she says, motioning to the wig on her head. "Have you ever worn a wig for a long period of time? I'm going to need Tylenol by the end of the week."

Not that she takes lightly the duty of depicting



Calista Flockhart, seen in September with partner Harrison Ford. returned from a career hiatus to play Kitty on ABC's Brothers and

such serious subject matter. "As an actress, it's interesting to explore going through that, but it is a bit intimidating and challeng-

cry a lot and it's absolutely challenging. I've done a lot of research and my life has sort of been all about canmonths... It's a frighten"When this show is over ... we'll see where my life goes. But I'm not planning on taking another break."

Calista Flockhart

able in the Walker clan. Who knows what the future will bring," she says. "When this show is over



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we'll see where my life goes. But I'm not planning on taking another break or doing anything like that." Sisters. This season focuses on her character's battle with cancer. And while she's enjoy-ing the steady life of a TV savs she never lets work follow her home. "Work actress once again, Flockfor me is work, and the hart's theatre roots are minute I'm finished with far from never thoughts. my work, it's gone," she ing," Flockhart admits. says.
"I go home and I'm just 'There are a lot of rea-I've had days where I sons why I decided to take me and living my life." Of another television show as opposed to doing film or theatre," she says. course, that must be pretty easy when you're going home to an adorable third-"When it's the right grader and Harrison Ford. time for my family, I think the last couple of Depending on the fate of I'll probably end up back ing place to be." her character, Flockhart says she could get comfortin New York doing some Despite that, Flockhart 267 351 - ACCESS Alberta Primetime 243 317 3 CFCN etalk
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Henry (Jonathan Rhys Meyers) goes into seclusion after Jane's goes into sections rate of are st death, with only his court jester (David Bradley) for company. He emerges with a new set of rules for the church, which bear a striking resemblance to Ca-tholicism. Pole (Mark Hildreth) seeks protection from Bryan (Alan Van Sprang) with Cardi-nal Von Waldburg (Max Von Sydow). Brandon (Henry Cav-ill), still reeling from the Pilgrimage of Grace massacre, blames Cromwell (James Frain). 9 PM



Dog the Bounty Hunter

Here comes the bride Yes. Dog and Beth finally make their longtime union legal in this hourlong episode from 2006. But in between the showers, dress fittings and other wedding prep. they have a fugitive to catch. Things get a little crazy, but we won't nominate Beth for "Bridezillas" vet. If anything, we give her props for her ability to multitask. And her big Dog, too. 3 PM on

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After years of successful hip-shaking, Colombian superstar Shakira thinks it's time to put them to another use. "My body feels like it is asking to reproduce, to have a huge belly and carry babies," she tells Rolling Stone magazine. METRO WORLD NEWS

Celebrity Buzz

Bradley's parents

squeeze home to Philadel-phia meet the family for **WEDDING BELLS** Reports that fledgling couple Renee Zellweger and the holidays. Bradley Cooper "Things have been heading in this direction for the two of them for a while," a source says, on the are outs may been have but this definitely sopremature, sources tell lidifies how serious Gatecrasher. they are. Renee says In fact, Coopshe's nervous, and she's really hoping it goes well. er is even planning She's very excited." bringing his METRO NEWS SERVICES



Renee nervous for Levi ready for nude 'art'

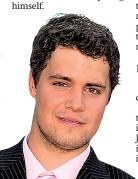
for more — a lot more — of Levi Johnston, magazine.com reports

The hockey-playing dad to Sarah Palin's grandson, Johnston, 19, is ready for his Playgirl close-up. And while a date has vet to be set for his nude photo shoot, his manager Tank Jones told usmagazine.com, "it will be early November" in New York.

Playgirl readers And shouldn't expect many artfully placed pillows in the photos. Jones confirms to Us that fullfrontal

shots are

and that Bristol Palin's ex isn't nervous about exposing



"He's pumped! He's ready to shock the world. The hell with fifteen minutes," Jones told Us over the phone. "As a matter of fact, when I picked him up, he came out the house naked. I said, 'Not

Iohnston himself took the phone for a moment to chime in, telling Us: "I just get naked. That's what I

Like the up-in-the-air date, the theme of the shoot itself is also to-be-determined, Jones explained. "We're going to play it by ear. I'm going to make sure it's something he's comfortable with and tasteful. This is art.'

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Fans protest Jacko documentary

THIS IS NOT IT? Diehard fans of Michael Jackson are up in arms about "This Is It," the documentary of his final rehearsals opening today. The fans behind the group, "This Is Not It," are protesting the film, claiming it isn't a fair depiction of Jackson's final

days.
"The promoters for This Is It ignored the signs, ignored the pleas, and in fact, active1v up truth," statement on the group's website reads. "What you

covered the on

that screen is part of that cover up. Out of 110 hours of footage, a few scenes were selected in which Michael Jackson smiled, in spite of being in a dire state."

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Trump bets on great marriage

DADDY APPROVES Donald Trump couldn't be happier with his daughter Ivanka Trump's recent marriage to New York Observer owner Jared Kushner. Donald tells Us Weekly: "I know they will do great things together." METRO WORLD NEWS

There's no biz like showbiz

LOVING THE LIMELIGHT De- done enough years on TV spite all the troubles that I feel like it's a being a realitynormal, comfortable, natural place star brought her, Kate to be," she said. "I'd Gosselin also said love to be in a movie at some point ... I think that she wants to stay in the limelight even after would be fun." show goes off show & the air. "I've METRO WORLD

Celebrity tweets

John Cleese won't let exercise keep him from beina comfortable. Demi Lovato doesn't mind bragging about being flufree, Pink knows what she wants, and Jon Favreau is becoming fluent in toddlerspeak.

@JohnCleese

Have decided to wear carpet slippers all day, even for my workout...

@ddlovato

I think I'm the only one staying healthy during this season! Well done multivitamins!;)

every town should have a 24 hour pizza joint. that would make everything better. zabra cadabra.

 @Jon_Favreau My three year old daughter wants to be a "scoopy goblin"

which I think means a spooky gob-

Newlyweds get love tattoos

INKED DINKS Nothing says forever like a tattoo with the initials of your beloved, usmagazine.com reports. Khloe Kardashian blogged on Monday, "Lamar and I were eating at Sunset Plaza and I just said, 'Let's go to Tattoo Mania! I want a tattoo!' And so they did At I. A's Tattoo Mania, artist Dirk Vanderlinden applied "L.O." on Kardashian's right hand, and "K.O." on

both of Lamar Odom's hands. METRO WORLD NEWS



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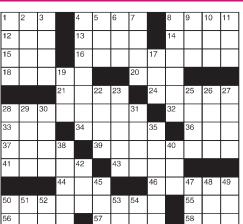
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Berries of your choice Whipped cream or vanilla ice cream, optional METHOD:

1. Place egg whites in small mixing bowl; let stand at room temperature 30 minutes. Add vanilla and cream of tartar to egg whites; beat on medium speed until soft peaks form.

2. Gradually beat in sugar. 1 tbsp (15 ml) at a time, on

high until stiff glossy peaks form and sugar is dissolved. 3. Drop eight mounds on-

to parchment-lined baking sheet. Shape into 3-in. (7.5 cm) cups with back of spoon. Bake at 225°F (107°C) 1 to 1 1/2 hours or until set and dry. Turn oven off; leave meringues in oven 1 hour. Cool on wire racks. Store in an airtight container. Fill shells with berries and whipped

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Mercury crosses the wealth axis of your chart today, so you'll be looking for money-making opportunities. Stick with what vou know.

SEPT 23-OCT 23

Something you hear today may sound too good to be true but don't reject it for that reason

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21

Someone who usually keeps their opinions a closely guarded secret will speak their mind today and will no doubt shock you.

SCORPIO OCT 24-NOV 22

Even if you are the sort of Scorpio who never gives much away, you will be more inclined than usual to open up about your feelings.

GEMINI

On the web

MAY 22-JUNE 21
With Mercury joining the Sun in the work area of your chart today you will find it easier to organize your everyday rou-

SAGITTARIUS NOV 23-DEC 21

This is never the easiest time of year for Sagittarians but there are plenty of reasons to believe that you can make positive changes in your life.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22 Your prospects are getting better with each passing day and they will get better still over the next 24 hours.

CAPRICORN

Attitude is everything and if you surround yourself with people whose outlook is positive today your own view of the world will be positive too.

LEO JULY 23-AUG 23

It may annoy you that someone is saying things about you that are clearly untrue but don't make an issue of it.

AQUARIUS JAN 21-FEB 18

Keep telling yourself that no matter how many obstacles fate puts in your path, it is your destiny to prevail over each and every one of them.

VIRGO AUG 24-SEPT 22

As from today you will find it easier to express yourself, both in your personal life and on the work front. But some things are best kept to yourself.

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